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ACTION ITEMS AND MEETING SUMMARY

Board Meeting – January 17, 2013

Jean Harvie Community Center

14273 River Road, Walnut Grove, CA

EXECUTIVE MEETING SUMMARY

Meeting Called to Order at 2:05 p.m. by Vice Chair, Mike Eaton

ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken and a quorum was established.

Voting Board Members present: Mike Eaton, Todd Ferrara, Don Thomas, Don Nottoli, Mary Piepho, Karen Finn, and Eddie Woodruff.

Liaison Advisors present: Steve Chappell, Jeff Melby, and Ryan Wulff.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Action Item 10 - BDCP and Delta Farmland

A Clarksburg resident stated that they had difficulty understanding what the report would mean for a farmer and that it appeared the intent was for farmers to become their own park rangers. They further stated that the report would not encourage farmers to stay on their land. The commenter also expressed that remarks made during the presentation indicated the EIR for BDCP is taking a flexible approach, which makes it impossible for Delta residents to know what DWR and the State intend to do.

A Roberts Island resident shared concern that this is not the best way to approach the public; DWR should have been on the ground sooner.

Action Item 11 - Fish Restoration Program Agreement and Prospect Island Project Update

Roberts Island resident questioned the accuracy of a quote from the South Delta Habitat Improvement Plan, on DWR website, "...100,000 acres have been protected or restored." Dennis McEwan, DWR, indicated the quote was an error.

A Roberts Island resident asked if it was known how many acres have been restored or protected in the Delta. She expressed that there is a need to know what the acreage

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baseline is and stated that it would be an appropriate role for the Conservancy to gather, distribute and ensure the accuracy of that information.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Staff will continue to work with Friends of Marsh Creek to conduct a Waterway Clean Up on April 12, 2013.
2. Staff will meet with Karen Finn and Todd Ferrara to provide additional information on Action Item 8 –Contracts to Receive Funds from the S. D. Bechtel, Jr. Foundation. Staff will provide an update at the March board meeting.
3. Staff will amend the final Strategic Plan Implementation Plan, clarifying the use of Bond Funds in day-to-day operations.
4. Staff will report at the next board meeting on planning efforts for a joint meeting between the Delta Protection Commission and Delta Conservancy.

ACTIONS TAKEN

1. Action Item 5 - Consent Calendar

The Board unanimously *approved* the October 17, 2012 Board Meeting Action Items and Meeting Summary.

2. Action Item 7 - Contract to Receive Funds from the Department of Water Resources and Distribute Funds to Sacramento County.

The Board unanimously *approved* the motion to enter into a contract to receive funds from the Department of Water Resources, and subsequently distribute funds to Sacramento County, in the amount of \$150,000, for the purpose of providing resources to support the five Delta counties in their efforts to assess impacts of the Bay Delta Conservation Plan.

3. Action Item 8 - Contract to Receive Funds from the S. D. Bechtel, Jr. Foundation and Secure Services from New Fields/Palantir

The Board *approved* the motion to receive funds from the S.D. Bechtel, Jr. Foundation in the amount of \$250,000 and secure services from NewFields/Palantir, in the amount of \$225,000 for the purpose of conducting a proof of concept basin study. Ayes: Mike Eaton, Don Nottoli, Mary Piepho, and Eddie Woodruff; Nays: none; Abstains: Karen Finn and Todd Ferrara.

4. Action Item 9.1 - Program and Policy Subcommittee Charter

The Board unanimously *approved* the Program and Policy Subcommittee Charter.

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5. Action Item 9.2 - Strategic Plan Implementation Plan

The Board unanimously approved the Strategic Plan Implementation Plan as amended.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 5:00 p.m.

After Meeting Adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

The Board meeting was followed by a tour of Staten Island to see the Sandhill Cranes, and a dinner gathering at Wimpy's Marina.

Respectfully submitted on February 1, 2013 by Susan Roberts, Board Liaison
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